Maoists flee Nepal Camp in India

1870. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 25th June, 2001, under caption "Maoists flee Nepal Camp in India";

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what steps have been taken to ensure that India does not become a heaven for these persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There are no camps of the Nepal Communist Party (Maoist) in India. The Maoist Communist Centre (MCC) referred in the news-item which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated 25th June, 2001 is an Indian extremist organisation with naxalite ideology.

(c) The following steps have been taken by Government of India:—

(i) Intensify policing on Indo-Nepal Border.

(ii) Enhance co-operation with Nepal—The 4th India-Nepal Joint Working Group on Border Management was held on 28-29th June, 2001 at New Delhi. The two sides agreed to step up the two way flow of information on terrorist and criminal activities. Both sides agreed to minimise cross border terrorism sponsored by militant outfits & other banned organisation etc.